Welcome to
WLA Wednesday

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On this day: in 1979, *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* was first published

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Making Headlines

Apply for a Position on the Library Council of Washington

Applications are currently being accepted for three Library Council of Washington positions. The positions are designed to represent these three different library constituencies in the state:

- Academic Libraries – Two-Year Colleges
- Special Libraries – Non-corporate
- Public Libraries under 100,000

The Library Council of Washington advises the State Librarian and the Office of the Secretary of State on statewide library issues and the expenditure of federal LSTA funding. Applications must be postmarked by Friday, October 21, 2016.

Members are chosen for a three-year term. A second three-year term is possible. The first three-year term for these positions will begin in January 2017. The first in-person meeting will be March 2017.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Jeff Martin at 360.704.5248, jeff.martin@sos.wa.gov or Maura Walsh at 360.704.5246, maura.walsh@sos.wa.gov.

Look Who's Hiring

The Spokane County Library District is searching for a Librarian. The deadline to apply is October 19.

Conference Communiqué

The 2016 HackWLMA Conference is this weekend!
The Northwest Indian College is seeking a **Library Technician I**. The deadline to apply is October 20.

The Pacific Northwest University is looking for a **Health Services Librarian**. The deadline to apply is November 30.

**The Pacific Northwest Library Association** (PNLA) lists job openings every Monday and you can browse WLA institutional members' postings [here](#).

If you have a current posting for libraries in the WLA community you would like to submit, please [email](#) us and indicate "For WLA Wednesday" in the subject line.

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**News & Notes**

"**Come Write In" for NaNoWriMo**

National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) is a nonprofit organization that believes your story matters. We host some of the largest writing events in the world, and we'd love it if you joined us to open your doors to writers in your community this November.

Come Write In is NaNoWriMo’s community partnership program. Through it, we connect community spaces—like libraries, bookstores, and community centers—with local writers to build meaningful relationships with these writers and readers.

What does Come Write In offer you?

**Flexibility:** Come Write In is built for flexibility. You can schedule specific times to have tables, chairs, and power outlets available to writers, or you can be open to drop-in writers at any time throughout November. Start with whatever works for you.

**Volunteer partners:** Our local volunteers (called Municipal Liaisons, or MLs) can be found all over the world. We’ll do our best to connect you with one near you so you can coordinate and publicize your events and tap into the existing NaNoWriMo community.

**A vast network:** Get in touch with other Come Write In spaces to share ideas and ask questions, and stay up to date with news and resources through our regular email newsletters.

**Promotional materials:** We’ll also offer you a Come Write In promotional kit with a poster, thank you to everyone who has registered!

We are excited to have you join us this Friday and Saturday at Highline College in Des Moines, WA. Online registration is now closed, but if you would still like to attend, you will be able to register onsite on Saturday morning. [Read about the sessions here](#). See you at HackWLMA!

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**Enjoy A Night of Romance on the Shores of Lake Chelan with WALE**

Join us for a celebration of WALE's 25th Anniversary with "A Night of Romance!" Hosted by the Romance Writers of America's 2016 Librarian of the Year, Robin Bradford, enjoy an evening of good food, fun entertainment, and romance! In a salon-style, Robin will interview famous romance writers Cherry Adair, Susan Mallery, and Lauren Dane. With questions taken from the audience in advance, you can expect some surprising answers, colorful stories, lots of laughs and maybe a little blushing. Festive formal wear encouraged, and bonus points for wearing red and silver. Books will be for sale and the authors will be available for signing immediately following the event.

Did you know all meals and special events are included in your registration? [Learn more and register here](#).

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**The Learning Curve**
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What kind of partner are we looking for? You are a space that believes in the value of the written word, the power of building a community that loves books, and the importance of addressing the challenges that block creativity.

You must be willing to:

- host enthusiastic writers,
- provide regular access to power outlets, tables, and chairs,
- encourage burgeoning writers of all ages.

Sound good? Sign up today to be a Come Write In location for NaNoWriMo!

Follett Supports AASL’s ESSA Implementation Efforts

Follett School Solutions continues to support the importance of school librarians in students educational careers with a matching funds sponsorship of American Association of School Librarians’ (AASL) Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) implementation workshops. Presented nationwide through collaboration with AASL state affiliates, the workshops highlight opportunities within ESSA language for school librarians and school libraries to be included in state and local plans. Read the full article here.

You can also join the AASL ESSA Workshop this Friday after the HackWLMA Preconference at Highline College. Please RSVP to the HackWLMA Conference Chair if you are interested in attending this free presentation.

Have news to share? Please send it to the WLA office by Monday to be included in that week’s digest. Please include "For WLA Wednesday" in the subject line.

Crime Fiction to Quicken the Blood

Feeling a chill in the air? Never mind that sweater—reach for a mystery or thriller! There’s no better way to keep warm than by turning the pages of a pulse-pounding read. Register now to join Booklist Executive Editor Keir Graff for our ever-popular fall mystery webinar, and listen as representatives from Houghton, Macmillan, Books on Tape, Severn House, and Soho preview the hottest crime fiction from their forthcoming lists. Booklist is offering a free webinar on October 25, at 11am. Click here to join the one hour webinar.

PLA Midwinter Institute Offers Strategies for Partnering with Law Enforcement to Advance Social Justice

The Public Library Association (PLA) is offering an interactive institute from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on January 20, 2017 at the ALA Midwinter Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia. "Partnering with Law Enforcement to Advance Social Justice: A Train-the-Trainer Event for Public Libraries" will be presented by Andrea Blackman, division manager for the Special Collections Division of the Nashville (Tenn.) Public Library, and coordinator of the library's nationally recognized Civil Rights Room and Collection.

Using Nashville’s groundbreaking civil rights training partnership with law enforcement agencies as an example, this institute will offer concrete strategies for how public libraries can use history as a gateway to discussing today’s complex community dynamics in an environment that encourages open conversation and greater understanding.

At the conclusion of this institute, participants will:

- Redefine libraries in a new, innovative way;
- Align their library with what the community values most: education;
- Incorporate intuitive, value-enhancing words into their everyday lexicon;
- Heighten their library’s visibility and stature; and
- Develop strategies that they can integrate immediately into their work.

Early Bird registration costs are $235 (PLA Personal Members), $275 (ALA Personal and Other Members), and $305 (Nonmembers). The Early Bird registration deadline is November 9, 2016 at 11:59 AM Central.
can register for this PLA Midwinter Institute (event code: PLA1) with or without an ALA Midwinter Meeting registration. Lunch is included in the cost of registration.

For additional information, please visit the website or contact PLA at pla@ala.org or (800) 545-2433 x 5752.